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**§ 3575.95 Future recovery.**

After a loan has been liquidated and a final loss has been paid by the Agency, any future funds which may be recovered by the lender will be pro-rated between the Agency and the lender in accordance with the guaranteed percentage even if the Loan Note Guarantee has been terminated.

**§ 3575.96 Termination of Loan Note Guarantee.**

The Loan Note Guarantee under this subpart will terminate automatically:

(a) Upon full payment of the guaranteed loan; or

(b) Upon full payment of any loss obligation or negotiated loss settlement except for future recovery provisions; or

(c) Upon written request from the lender to the Agency, provided that the lender holds all of the guaranteed portion and the original Loan Note Guarantee is returned to the Agency.

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**§ 3575.100 OMB control number.**

The report and recordkeeping requirements contained in this regulation have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget and have been assigned OMB control number 0575–0137.

**Subpart B [Reserved]**

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### § 3600.1 General.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) was established on April 17, 1986, by Secretary's Memorandum 1020-24, which renamed the Statistical Reporting Service concurrent with an internal restructuring. Primary NASS responsibilities are development and dissemination of national and State agricultural statistics, statistical research, and coordination of Department statistical programs.

### § 3600.2 Organization.

The headquarters organization consists of: The Administrator and Associate Administrator; Deputy Administrator for Field Operations; Four Divisions: Estimates, Survey Management, Research, and Systems and Information; and the Agricultural Statistics Board. In the field, each of the 45 State Statistical Offices, serving the 50 States, is under a State Statistician.

### § 3600.3 Functions.

(a) *Administrator.* The Administrator is responsible for the formulation of current, intermediate, and long-range policies and plans to carry out a broad statistical program for the agricultural sector and Departmental functions and activities assigned to NASS. Specific functions are:

(1) Administering an agricultural statistics program which includes estimates of production, marketings, inventories, and selected economic characteristics of the U.S. agricultural and rural economy.

(2) Administering a methodological research program to improve agricul-

tural data collection and processing, data management, estimation, and forecasting.

(3) Administering programs to conduct surveys for other agencies, improve statistics through statistical standards for the Department, and coordinate statistical methods and techniques within the Federal Government.

(4) Administering statistical programs jointly developed through cooperative agreements with State agencies, universities, private groups, and other Federal agencies.

(5) Administering selected international agricultural statistics programs which provide foreign technical assistance, training on statistical methodology for developing countries, and exchange of information.

(b) *Associate Administrator.* The Associate Administrator is responsible for advising and counseling the Administrator and high-level policy officials on matters related to programs of NASS. Major functions include:

(1) Chairing Agricultural Statistics Board activities, designating Board membership, presiding at Board sessions, and formulating specific procedures.

(2) Chairing the NASS Strategic Planning Council which coordinates long-range planning, information resources management, and research reviews.

(3) Chairing the Resource Management Council which coordinates NASS hiring, promotion, and training activities.

(c) *Deputy Administrator for Field Operations.* The Deputy Administrator manages and coordinates data collection and estimating programs carried out by State Statistical Offices. This includes supervision of statistical programs with cooperating State and private groups, universities, and other Federal agencies. Major functions include:

(1) Formulating policies and programs that relate to functions and responsibilities of State Statistical Offices.

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(2) Directing agricultural statistics programs established through cooperative agreements with State Departments of Agriculture, Land-Grant colleges and universities, or appropriate private organizations.

(3) Establishing and maintaining relationships with respondents, producers, commodity groups, data users, and other interested groups to gain cooperation in providing useful, timely, and reliable information.

(d) *Director, Estimates Division.* The Director is responsible for NASS estimating and forecasting programs. Major functions include:

(1) Defining input and output requirements, estimators and variances to be utilized, statistical standards, editing and summarization requirements, and analytic procedures.

(2) Collaborating with the Chairperson of the Agricultural Statistics Board to establish the annual programs of statistical reports.

(3) Developing appropriate systems parameters; processing, summarizing, and presenting current survey and related historical data for Agricultural Statistics Board analysis; and preparing official estimates and forecasts.

(e) *Director, Survey Management Division.* The Director is responsible for application of survey design and data collection methodologies to the agricultural statistics program. Major functions include:

(1) Constructing and maintaining appropriate sampling frames for agricultural and rural surveys.

(2) Designing, testing, and establishing survey techniques and standards, including sample design, sample selection, questionnaires, data collection methods, survey materials, and training methods for NASS.

(3) Reviewing specifications for special data collection activities for programs of other Federal or State agencies.

(f) *Director, Research Division.* The Director is responsible for researching statistical methodology for survey design, data collection, processing, estimating, and forecasting. Major functions include:

(1) Conducting statistical research to develop new and improved sampling techniques, develop improved data col-

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lection methods, and identify methods of controlling sampling and nonsampling errors.

(2) Researching statistical computing methods and developing efficient uses of computer technology including telecommunications, networking, and other applications.

(3) Developing new statistical theory and models and solving statistical problems, including numerical methods involving advanced mathematical statistics.

(g) *Director, Systems and Information Division.* The Director is responsible for NASS information management system and processing services. Specific functions are:

(1) Designing, maintaining, and providing access to an integrated and standardized information management system containing sampling frames, survey data, estimates, and administrative records utilized by NASS.

(2) Providing appropriate support for assisting users of the information management system through documentation, evaluation, training, and resolution of information management problems.

(3) Designing and issuing all reports releasing official State and national estimates and forecasts from NASS.

(h) *Chairperson, Agricultural Statistics Board.* The Chairperson reviews, prepares, and issues on specific dates, following approval by the Secretary of Agriculture as provided by law (7 U.S.C. 411a) and Departmental Regulation, the official State and national estimates relating to crop production, livestock and livestock products, dairy and dairy products, poultry and poultry products, stocks of agricultural commodities, value of farm products, farm inputs, and other assigned agricultural aspects.

#### § 3600.4 Authority to act for the Administrator.

In the absence of the Administrator, the following officials are designated to serve as Acting Administrator in the order indicated:

Associate Administrator  
Deputy Administrator for Field Operations  
Director, Estimates Division  
Director, Survey Management Division  
Director, Systems and Information Division

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Director, Research Division

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#### *Section 1. General*

Information concerning NASS statistics programs and activities related to individual States may be obtained from the State Statistician, State Statistical Office, NASS, in the locations listed below.

#### *Section 2. List of Addresses*

Alabama, Sterling Centre, Suite 200, 4121 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, AL 36106-2872  
Alaska, 809 South Chugach Street, Suite 4, Palmer, AK 99645  
Arizona, 3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 950, Phoenix, AZ 85012  
Arkansas, 3408 Federal Office Building, Little Rock, AR 72201  
California, 1220 "N" Street, Room 243, Sacramento, CA 95814  
Colorado, 645 Parfet Street, Suite W-201, Lakewood, CO 80215-5517  
Delaware, Delaware Department of Agriculture Building, 2320 South Dupont Highway, Dover, DE 19901  
Florida, 1222 Woodward Street, Orlando, FL 32803  
Georgia, Stephens Federal Building, Suite 320, Athens, GA 30613  
Hawaii, State Department of Agriculture Building, 1428 South King Street, Honolulu, HI 96814  
Idaho, 2224 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, ID 83712  
Illinois, Illinois Department of Agriculture Building, 801 Sangamon Avenue, Room 54, Springfield, IL 62702  
Indiana, 1148 AGAD Building, Purdue University, Room 223, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1148  
Iowa, 833 Federal Building, 210 Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50309  
Kansas, 632 S.W. Van Buren, Room 200, Topeka, KS 66603  
Kentucky, Gene Snyder & Courthouse Building, 601 W. Broadway, Room 645, Louisville, KY 40202  
Louisiana, 5825 Florida Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806  
Maryland, 50 Harry S Truman Parkway, Suite 202, Annapolis, MD 21401  
Michigan, 201 Federal Building, Lansing, MI 48904  
Minnesota, 8 East 4th Street, Suite 500, St. Paul, MN 55101  
Mississippi, 121 North Jefferson Street, Jackson, MS 39201  
Missouri, 601 Business Loop West, Suite 240, Columbia, MO 65203  
Montana, Federal Building & U.S. Court House, Room 398, 301 S. Park Avenue, Helena, MT 59626

Nebraska, 100 Centennial Mall N., Room 273 Federal Building, Lincoln, NE 68508  
Nevada, Max C. Fleischmann Agriculture Building, Room 232, University of Nevada, Reno, NV 89557  
New Hampshire, 22 Bridge Street, Room 301, Concord, NH 03301  
New Jersey, Health and Agriculture Building, Room 205, CN-330 New Warren Street, Trenton, NJ 08625  
New Mexico, 2507 North Telshor Boulevard, Suite 4, Las Cruces, NM 88001  
New York, Department of Agriculture & Markets, 1 Winners Circle, Albany, NY 12235  
North Carolina, 2 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh, NC 27601-1085  
North Dakota, 1250 Albrecht Boulevard, NDSU, Room 448, Fargo, ND 58105  
Ohio, 200 N. High Street, New Federal Building, Room 608, Columbus, OH 43215  
Oklahoma, 2800 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, OK 73105  
Oregon, 1220 S.W. Third Avenue, Room 1735, Portland, OR 97204  
Pennsylvania, 2301 N. Cameron Street, Room G-19, Harrisburg, PA 17110  
South Carolina, 1835 Assembly Street, Room 1008, Columbia, SC 29201  
South Dakota, 3528 S. Western Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57117  
Tennessee, 440 Hogan Road, Holeman Office Building, Ellington Agricultural Center, Nashville, TN 37220-1626  
Texas, 300 E. 8th Street, Federal Building, Room 504, Austin, TX 78701  
Utah, 176 N. 2200 West—Suite 260, Salt Lake City, UT 84116  
Virginia, 1100 Bank Street, Room 706, Richmond, VA 23219  
Washington, 1111 Washington Street, SE, Olympia, WA 98504  
West Virginia, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard E, Charleston, WV 25305  
Wisconsin, 2811 Agriculture Drive, Madison, WI 53704  
Wyoming, 504 W. 17th Street, Suite 250, Cheyenne, WY 82001

## PART 3601—PUBLIC INFORMATION

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### § 3601.1 General statement.

This part is issued in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture in part 1, subpart A of this title and appendix A thereto, implementing the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), and governs the availability of records of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to the public.

### § 3601.2 Public inspection, copying, and indexing.

5 U.S.C. 552(a)(2) requires that certain materials be made available for public inspection and copying and that a current index of these materials be published quarterly or otherwise be made available. Members of the public may request access to such materials maintained by NASS at the following office: Information Staff, ARS, REE, USDA, Room 1-2248, Mail Stop 5128, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-5128; Telephone (301) 504-1640 or (301) 504-1655; TTY-VOICE (301) 504-1743. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Information maintained in our electronic reading room can be accessed at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/is/foia/#Electronic>.

### § 3601.3 Requests for records.

Requests for records of NASS under 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(3) shall be made in accordance with § 1.5 of this title and submitted to the FOIA Coordinator, Information Staff, ARS, REE, USDA, Mail Stop 5128, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-5128; Telephone (301) 504-1640 or (301) 504-1655; TTY-VOICE (301) 504-1643; Facsimile (301) 504-1648; e-mail [vherberger@ars.usda.gov](mailto:vherberger@ars.usda.gov) or [shutchison@ars.usda.gov](mailto:shutchison@ars.usda.gov). The FOIA Coordinator is delegated authority to make determinations regarding such requests in accordance with § 1.3(c) of this title.

### § 3601.4 Multitrack processing.

(a) When NASS has a significant number of requests, the nature of which precludes a determination within 20 working days, the requests may be processed in a multitrack processing system, based on the date of receipt, the amount of work and time involved in processing the request, and whether the request qualifies for expedited processing.

(b) NASS may establish as many processing tracks as appropriate; processing within each track shall be based on a first-in, first-out concept, and rank-ordered by the date of receipt of the request.

(c) A requester whose request does not qualify for the fastest track may be given an opportunity to limit the scope of the request in order to qualify for the fastest track. This multitrack processing system does not lessen agency responsibility to exercise due diligence in processing requests in the most expeditious manner possible.

(d) NASS shall process requests in each track on a “first-in, first-out” basis, unless there are unusual circumstances as set forth in § 1.16 of this title, or the requester is entitled to expedited processing as set forth in § 1.9 of this title.

### § 3601.5 Denials.

If the FOIA Coordinator determines that a requested record is exempt from mandatory disclosure and that discretionary release would be improper, the FOIA Coordinator shall give written notice of denial in accordance with § 1.7(a) of this title.

### § 3601.6 Appeals.

Any person whose request is denied shall have the right to appeal such denial. Appeals shall be made in accordance with § 1.13 of this title and should be addressed as follows: Administrator, NASS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250.

### § 3601.7 Requests for published data and information.

(a) Published data and reports produced by NASS since 1995 are available via the NASS Web site at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/> or an e-mail subscription may be established via the website under Publications. Searching on the website is available by topic, by title, or by date. The titles displayed in the search include NASS’s published periodicals and annual reports. Full text of all the titles is available at no cost (PDF Files beginning 1999). Printed copies and reports published after 1996 can be purchased from the ERS-NASS sales desk at the National Technical Information Center at 1 (800) 999-



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(b) Information on published data, printed subscription rates, and historic publications is available from the Secretary, Agricultural Statistics Board, NASS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250. This information is also available from the NASS website under Publications, NASS Catalog, NASS Periodicals and Annual

Reports. Published data, from each State Statistical Office, are available via the NASS website under State Information or by e-mail subscription. Published data subscription forms are available from the State Statistician at each State Statistical Office. Addresses are listed in appendix A to part 3600 of this chapter.

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